

**TOWNSHIP OF CHESTERFIELD  
RESOLUTION 2022-4-6**

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MAY AS “BAG UP NJ” MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, P.L 202, c.117, signed into law on November 4, 2020 is the most progressive disposable bag law in the country, with the goal of phasing out single-use plastic and paper bags and encouraging the use of reusable bags throughout New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey is working to reduce reliance on single-use products to ensure that future generations have a clean and healthy environment to live, work, and recreate in; and

**WHEREAS**, banning or limiting the use of single-use plastic and paper carryout bags is a significant step in the effort; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Clean Communities Council, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the New Jersey Department of State, policymakers, environmental and business groups, as well as other stakeholders, are working together to educate consumers, businesses, and communities about the new law and encouraging residents to “Bag Up” before the ban on single-use plastic bags goes into effect on May 4, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the comprehensive “Bag Up NJ” campaign will include educational programs, public and media engagement and reusable bag distribution programs throughout the state, with an emphasis on underserved communities; and

**WHEREAS**, this statewide public education campaign will provide residents, businesses and visitors with information about the types of reusable and sustainable bags and containers that they may use and where to access these products.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Chesterfield that it is critical to begin educating the public about this new law: and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that one way to gain important recognition is to deem the month of May each year as “Bag Up NJ” month in Chesterfield Township, as a further reminder that all residents should bring their own reusable bags to the store; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the NJ Clean Communities Council, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

**CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**

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I, Caryn M. Hoyer, Clerk of the Township of Chesterfield in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and accurate copy of the Resolution approved by the Township Committee at a duly advertised meeting held on April 14, 2022 at which a quorum was present.

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Caryn M. Hoyer, RMC  
Township Clerk